

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**Listing of Claims:**

**Claim 1. (currently amended)** A film-laminated metal sheet for a container comprising resin films, the resin films each containing a polyester as a main component, on both surfaces of a metal sheet, wherein

a polarity force component  $\gamma_s^h$  of [[an]] a surface free energy of a surface of the resin film ~~that is to be~~ positioned on an inner surface side of the container after formation of the container and that is to be in contact with a content of the container is  $4 \times 10^{-3}$  N/m or less,

a region, where a birefringence of the resin film positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is 0.02 or less, is less than 5  $\mu$ m from a contact interface with the metal sheet in the thickness direction.

**Claim 2. (currently amended)** A film-laminated metal sheet for a container comprising resin films, the resin films each containing a polyester as a main component on both surfaces of a metal sheet, wherein

a polarity force component  $\gamma_s^h$  of [[an]] a surface free energy of a surface of the resin film ~~that is to be~~ positioned on an inner surface side of the container after formation of the container and that is to be in contact with a content of the container is  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  N/m or less,

a region, where a birefringence of the resin film positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is 0.02 or less, is less than 5  $\mu$ m from a contact interface with the metal sheet in the thickness direction.

**Claim 3. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is blended with 5% to 20% in a ratio by mass of an olefin resin with respect to the resin film.

**Claim 4. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container contains 0.1% to 2% in a ratio by mass of a wax component with respect to the resin film.

**Claim 5. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 2, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is blended with 10% to 20% in a ratio by mass of an olefin resin with respect to the resin film.

**Claim 6. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 2, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container further contains a polyester as a main component and ~~that~~ contains 0.80% to 2.0% in a ratio by mass of a wax component with respect to the resin film.

**Claim 7. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 4, wherein the wax component is carnauba wax or ester stearate.

**Claim 8. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film containing a polyester as a main component is a biaxially oriented polyester film ~~characterized in that~~ having a relaxation time  $T_{1\rho}$  of a benzene ring carbon at a 1,4 coordinate in a structure analysis according to a high solid resolution NMR ~~is of~~ 150 msec or longer.

**Claim 9. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film containing a polyester as a main component is a biaxially oriented polyester film ~~characterized in that~~ having a melting point ~~is~~ in a range of 240°C to 300°C, the content of a terminal carboxyl group is in a range of 10 to 50 equivalent/ton, and an isophthalic acid component is not substantially contained as an acid component.

**Claim 10. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film containing a polyester as a main component is a biaxially oriented polyester film ~~characterized in that~~ having an amorphous Young's modulus ~~is~~ in a range of 120 to 220 kg/mm<sup>2</sup>.

**Claim 11. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein 95 mol % or more of polyester units constituting the resin film containing a polyester as a main component are ethylene terephthalate units.

**Claim 12. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film containing a polyester as a main component is a biaxially oriented polyester film ~~characterized in that~~ wherein 93 mol % or more of the polyester units constituting the resin film are ethylene terephthalate units, and having a crystal size  $\chi$  in a (100) plane obtained through an X-ray diffraction measurement ~~is~~ of 6.0 nm or smaller.

**Claim 13. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film containing a polyester as a main component is a biaxially oriented polyester film ~~characterized in that~~ having 93 mol % or more of the polyester units constituting the resin film are ethylene terephthalate units, and having a crystal orientation parameter R obtained through an X-ray diffraction measurement is  $20 \times 10^{-2}$  or more.

**Claim 14. (canceled)**

**Claim 15. (currently amended)** A film-laminated metal sheet for a container comprising resin films, the resin films each containing a polyester as a main component ~~[[in]]~~ on both surfaces of a metal sheet, wherein

a resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on ~~the~~ an inner surface side of the container after formation of the container comprises at least two layers, a resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on ~~the~~ an outer surface side of the container after formation of the container comprises at least one layer; and a polarity force component  $\gamma_s^h$

of a surface-free energy of a surface where an uppermost-layer resin film, which is one of the at least two resin layers and which is ~~to be~~ positioned on the outer surface side of the container, is to be in contact with a content of the container is  $4 \times 10^{-3}$  N/m or less,

a region, where a birefringence of the resin film positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is 0.02 or less, is less than 5  $\mu$ m from a contact interface with the metal sheet in the thickness direction.

**Claim 16. (currently amended)** A film-laminated metal sheet for a container comprising resin films, the resin films each containing a polyester as a main component ~~[[in]]~~ on both surfaces of a metal sheet, wherein

a resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on ~~the~~ an inner surface side of the container after formation of the container comprises at least two resin layers, a resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on ~~the~~ an outer surface side of the container after formation of the container comprises at least one resin layer; ~~and~~

a polarity force component  $\gamma_s^h$  of a surface-free energy of a surface where an uppermost-layer resin film, which is one of the at least two resin layers and which is ~~to be~~ positioned on the outer surface side of the container, is to be in contact with a content of the container is  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  N/m or less,

a region, where a birefringence of the resin film positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is 0.02 or less, is less than 5  $\mu\text{m}$  from a contact interface with the metal sheet in the thickness direction.

**Claim 17. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 15, wherein the uppermost-layer resin film is blended with 5% to 20% in a ratio by mass of an olefin resin with respect to the uppermost-layer resin film.

**Claim 18. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 15, wherein the uppermost-layer resin film further contains 0.1% to 2% in a ratio by mass of a wax component with respect to the resin film.



**Claim 19. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 16, wherein the uppermost-layer resin film is blended with 10% to 20% in a ratio by mass of an olefin resin with respect to the uppermost-layer resin film.

**Claim 20. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 16, wherein the uppermost-layer resin film further contains 0.8% to 2% in a ratio by mass of a wax component with respect to the uppermost-layer resin film.

**Claim 21. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 18, wherein the wax component is carnauba wax or ester stearate.

**Claim 22. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container

after formation of the container contains a color pigment or a color dye.

**Claim 23. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the resin film ~~to be~~ positioned on the outer surface side of the container after formation of the container contains a color pigment or a color dye.

**Claim 24. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 15, wherein at least one of the at least two resin films ~~to be~~ positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container contains a color pigment or a color dye.

**Claim 25. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 15, wherein at least one of the at least two resin films ~~to be~~ positioned on the outer surface side of the container after formation of the container contains a color pigment or a color dye.

**Claim 26. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 22, wherein the color pigment includes an aromatic diamine base organic pigment.

**Claim 27. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 22, wherein the color pigment includes a benzimidazolone based organic pigment.

**Claim 28. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 22, wherein the color pigment includes a 1:2 chromium complex ~~chromate~~ and phthalocyanine.

**Claim 29. (currently amended)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 22, wherein the color pigment is ~~composed~~ formed by blending and includes a 1:2 chromium complex ~~chromate~~ and phthalocyanine in a mass ratio of 10 : 1.

**Claim 30. (new)** The film-laminated metal sheet for a container according to claim 1, wherein the region where the birefringence of a laminate layer positioned on the inner surface side of the container after formation of the container is 0.02 or less and is 1 to 4  $\mu\text{m}$  from the contact interface with the metal sheet in the thickness direction.